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# ANNUAL REPORT

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OF THE

Medical Officer of Health

*For the Year 1945.*

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To:—

**The Chairman and Members of the  
DERWENT RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.**

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The Minister of Health has intimated that a short Interim Report only should be prepared for the year 1945.

W. BERTRAM HILL,  
Medical Officer of Health.

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**INFECTIOUS DISEASE.**

Average for 5 years, (1934—1938)	Diphtheria.	Scarlet Fever.	Erysipelas.	Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis.
...	8	17	2·7	·5
1939 ...	10	33	3	—
1940 ...	10	15	3	3
1941 ...	10	22	1	—
1942 ...	8	8	1	—
1943 ...	3	15	4	1·
1944 ...	6	27	3	1·
1945 ...	—	18	3	—

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**TUBERCULOSIS.**

Average Notifications in	Pulmonary.	Non-Pulmonary.
(1934—1938) ...	9	3·7
1939 ...	4	2
1940 ..	9	6
1941 ...	4	4
1942 ...	7	4
1943 ...	7	3
1944 ...	5	4
1945 ...	10	4

## CASE RATE PER 1,000 LIVING OF ACUTE INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

				England and Wales.		Derwent Rural District.
Typhoid Fever	...	...	...	·01	...	·00
Cerebro-Spinal Fever	...	...	...	·05	...	·00
Scarlet Fever	...	...	...	1·89	...	1·5
Whooping Cough	...	...	...	1·64	...	·75
Diphtheria	...	...	...	·46	...	·00
Erysipelas	...	...	...	·25	...	·25
Small-pox	...	...	...	·00	...	·00
Measles	...	...	...	11·67	...	5·4
Pneumonia	...	...	...	·87	...	·66
Puerperal Pyrexia	...	...	...	9·93	...	5·0

(Per 1,000 Total Births).

### DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION.

Immunisation is being actively carried out in all Schools in the District.

### DISINFESTATION.

The Council has provided facilities for the treatment of Scabies at their Depot in Barlby. Sessions are held on Wednesdays at 2 p.m. The number of persons presenting themselves for treatment has been small.

### WATER SUPPLY.

The Water Supply of the District is obtained from :—

- (a) A neighbouring Local Authority ;
- (b) A Private Water Company ;
- (c) and to 60 houses from a Deep Box Well situate on a Private Estate.

The Water supplied by the Local Authority and the Private Water Company is chlorinated.

76·2% of the houses in the District are connected to the mains, and the supply is constant.

## VITAL STATISTICS.

Population - 11920 (Mid-year 1945).

	Derwent Rural District.	England and Wales.
Death Rate ... ..	12·5 per 1,000	11·4
Birth Rate ... ..	16·1 „	16·1
Infantile Mortality Rate ...	41·4 „	46·0
(i.e., Deaths under 1 year per 1,000 Births).		
Pulmonary Tuberculosis ...	·08 „	
Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis...	·00 „	
Cancer Death Rate ... • ...	2·5 „	
Respiratory Death Rate ...	1·4 „	
Zymotic Death Rate ... ..	·00 „	
Still Birth Rate ... ..	·33 „	·46

## HOUSING.

The District Council has been informed by the Ministry of Health that it can seek tenders for the erection of the following number of houses :—

Parish.	Houses.
Fulford ... ..	32
Naburn ... ..	3
North Duffield ... ..	2
Wheldrake ... ..	2
Barlby ... ..	6
	—
	45

## HOUSING SURVEY.

A survey of the housing conditions in the area is being undertaken in conformity with the recommendations contained in the Report of the Rural Housing Sub-Committee of the Central Housing Advisory Committee.

## SEWERAGE AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL.

The Council has obtained the services of a Consulting Engineer who has prepared a Report on the Sewerage arrangements in each of the Parishes constituting the Rural District.

A scheme for the installation of adequate sewerage works in the Parishes of Elvington and Dunnington has been prepared, and application has been made to the County Council for a grant towards the cost of the proposed work.

### DERWENT RURAL DISTRICT.

Cases of Infectious Disease notified during the year 1945.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASE.	NUMBER OF CASES NOTIFIED.								TOTAL CASES REMOVED TO HOSPITAL.	DEATHS.
	At all Ages.	At all Ages—Years.								
		Under 1	1 and under 5	5 and under 15	15 and under 25	25 and under 45	45 and under 65	65 and upwards		
Small-pox .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cholera (C) Plague (P) .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Diphtheria (including Membraneous Croup)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Erysipelas .. .. .	3	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..
Scarlet Fever .. .. .	18	..	2	11	5	..	..	..	8	..
Typhus Fever .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Enteric Fever .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Relapsing Fever (R) Continued Fever (C)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Puerperal Pyrexia .. .. .	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Poliomyelitis .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ophthalmia Neonatorum .. .. .	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pulmonary Tuberculosis .. .. .	10	..	..	..	2	5	3	..	..	..
Other forms of Tuberculosis .. .. .	4	..	1	2	..	..	..	1	..	..
Measles .. .. .	65	1	25	37	2	..	..	..	..	..
Primary Pneumonia .. .. .	8	2	1	..	..	2	3	..	..	7
Influenzal Pneumonia .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Whooping Cough .. .. .	9	1	7	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dysentery .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Acute Polio Encephalitis .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Encephalitis Lethargica .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals .. .. .	119	5	36	51	10	8	7	2	9	..





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